

DR. SUBIR CHOWDHURY

(Mr. McCOTTER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. McCOTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the achievements of Dr. Subir Chowdhury, as he releases his twelfth book, "The Ice Cream Maker: An Inspiring Tale About Making Quality the Key Ingredient in Everything You Do."

Since his first published book in 1996, Dr. Chowdhury has revolutionized international management strategy and philosophy. His award-winning book, "The Power of Six Sigma," has sold more than 1 million copies worldwide in over 20 languages. Dr. Chowdhury has been inducted into the Automotive Hall of Fame, and the Society of Automotive Engineers has presented him with the Henry Ford II Distinguished Award for Excellence in Automotive Engineering.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Dr. Chowdhury on the release of his latest book and ask my colleagues to join me in honoring his contribution to our community and our country.

BEGIN EFFORT TO BRING TROOPS HOME FROM IRAQ

(Mr. KUCINICH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, 3 years ago, this administration began a grim march of folly into Iraq. Today, our troops are bogged down in the middle of a civil war.

Iraq has become an incubator of terrorism. Over 2,300 U.S. troops have been killed, tens of thousands more injured and perhaps 100,000 innocent Iraqis have been killed, with countless others injured.

As both the Iraqi public and the American people demand the U.S. leave Iraq, this administration plans to send more troops. We must bring our troops home. We must vote against any additional appropriations that would be used to keep our troops there.

Plans exist right now that would enable the United States to bring our troops home, to begin the effort to bring our troops home. Not a dime more for continuing this war; not a dime more for an illegal war that was based on lies about weapons of mass destruction.

RETREAT AND DEFEAT DEMOCRATS

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, on Monday, Senator RUSS FEINGOLD sadly reminded America that the Democrat Party is still dancing to the tune of retreat and defeat through appeasement.

Senator FEINGOLD's call to censure President Bush for implementing a legitimate and effective terrorist surveillance demonstrates that Democrats continue to push political ambitions more than our national security.

From DICK DURBIN's slandering our troops as communists, to Howard Dean's defeatist remarks about our troops' efforts, to Senator FEINGOLD's careless call to censure our President, it is obvious that Democrats have no positive plan to protect American families.

Instead of proposing ways to prevent terror attacks on our soil, Democrats prefer to spend their time and energy on political tricks that do not serve the interests of the American people. As our enemies continue to issue threats daily against our country, Republicans will remain committed to proactively investigating, capturing and detaining al Qaeda operatives and any other terrorists who seek to attack American families.

In conclusion, God bless our troops and we will never forget September 11.

CONGRESS MUST STEP IN TO EXTEND DEADLINE ON MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN REGISTRATION

(Mr. MORAN of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, in 2 months, about 10 million senior citizens are about to get a Bush Medicare tax imposed on them for the rest of their lives. If they don't sign up for the Medicare prescription drug bill by May 15, then they can't sign up again until the end of the year, and for the rest of their lives they will pay a 7 percent higher premium than their neighbors under exactly the same circumstances just because they couldn't figure out this myriad of dozens of different plans that they are presented with.

This is wrong. The Republicans and the Democrats need to get together to extend the deadline to the end of the year, regardless of what the President decides. It is time for Congress to act and to save these 10 million Americans from having an unfair tax burden on their shoulders for the rest of their lives. It is wrong. Let's fix it.

ROBERT G. CANAR

(Mr. GOODE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GOODE. Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert G. Canar has distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious achievements in public service to this Nation by serving the United States Army for over 42 years. Mr. Canar began his public service career in the U.S. Army as an air defense artillery officer and as a military intelligence officer. During

his 22 years on active duty, he served in various assignments in Vietnam, Korea, Europe and in the United States.

Mr. Canar joined the former Foreign Science and Technology Center in 1983 when he was assigned as a division chief supervising collection requirements, imagery, and electronics intelligence branches. Because of his demonstrated abilities, he has been given positions of greater responsibility as the director, information management, and later as the director, programs and resources, which led to major initiatives to renovate Foreign Science and Technology Center's facilities to accommodate growth of the workforce and to secure facilities to meet Sensitive Compartmented Information standards.

Mr. Canar served as the National Ground Intelligence Center's chief of staff from 1994 to 2003, and as the center's acting executive director from 2003 to 2004. In response to the Global War on Terrorism, the center underwent a massive growth with the influx of new responsibilities to support the soldier.

In 2004 Mr. Canar volunteered to serve for a year as the senior intelligence officer with the Civilian Police Assistance Training Team, Baghdad, Iraq. In this capacity he supervised an International Police Liaison Officer Team and a Multi-National Command-Iraq military team which organized and trained the Iraq Ministry of Interior Criminal Intelligence Service Directorate.

He ended his civil service career as the special assistant to the commander, National Ground Intelligence Center responsible for the establishment of a Joint Use Intelligence Analysis Facility in Charlottesville, VA.

Throughout his service, Mr. Canar has provided outstanding leadership, sound advice and expert professional judgment on significant issues that affected the Army. His actions and counsel were invaluable to Army leaders as they considered the issues facing the Nation today. Mr. Canar's dedication to accomplishing the Army's missions has been extraordinary. He has been a truly outstanding public servant and will be missed by the United States Army.

MEDICARE PRESCRIPTION DRUG PLAN; BAD MEDICINE FOR AMERICAN SENIORS

(Mr. CARNAHAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARNAHAN. Mr. Speaker, since the new Medicare prescription drug plan took effect at the beginning of this year, Members of this body have heard from thousands of frustrated seniors struggling with the confusing and poorly written plan. Now they are dealt a new blow: seniors who don't register in time will be forced to pay a penalty for the rest of their lives.

Most seniors have yet to choose a prescription drug plan, many because they are unable to navigate the complex system, others because they are currently not taking any medication. For every month after May 15, seniors